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**Maryland Medical Assistance Program
Healthy Start Services for Pregnant Women
Transmittal No. 4**

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Obstetrical Providers

MCOs

FROM: Susan Tucker, Executive Director**NOTE:** Please ensure that appropriate staff members in your organization and other appropriate staff are informed of the contents of this transmittal.

Healthy Start Procedure Code Change

Effective July 1, 2003, the Maryland Medical Assistance Program changed two procedure codes for the Healthy Start Program for pregnant women.

Under the Health Insurance Portability Accountability Act (HIPAA) Medical Assistance/Medicaid is required to use nationally recognized procedure codes when providers bill for health care services. Currently, providers are using the Medicaid established procedure code W9090, Maryland Prenatal Risk Assessment, and W9091, Enriched Maternity Service, when submitting claims for reimbursement. Effective July 1, 2003 W9090 is changed to H1000 Prenatal Care, At-Risk Assessment, and W9091 is changed to H1003, Prenatal Care, and At-Risk Enhanced Service/Education. Services rendered prior to July 1, 2003 must be billed using the W9090 and W9091 code regardless of when the claim is submitted for payment. For services rendered on or after July 1, 2003, procedure codes H1000 and H1003 must be used to submit claims for Medicaid reimbursement. There have been no changes to the fees and limitations.

Questions concerning this transmittal should be directed to the Division of Outreach and Care Coordination Nurse Consultants at 410-767-6750.